



# Foggy Bottom News



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## FBA & ANC at Hearings Past and Hearings Future

### February 27 — DCRA Budget Hearing

On February 27, 1992, Sara Maddux, Chair of Advisory Neighborhood Commission 2A (ANC-2A), testified on behalf of ANC-2A and Barbara Kahlow, a member of the Foggy Bottom Association's Executive Board, testified on behalf of FBA at a hearing of the City Council's Committee on Consumer and Regulatory Affairs on the Mayor's proposed budget for the Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA).

Mrs. Kahlow testified that the Foggy Bottom community over several years has been the victim of DCRA mistakes — some probably unintentional due to a new Mayor but some very deliberate and/or of questionable authority/legality. She cited many examples related to two projects of great interest to the Foggy Bottom community: the proposed IMF expansion and the 2501 Pennsylvania Avenue development proposal. Mrs. Kahlow expressed the community's frustration of too often not receiving fairness and due process.

The result was that Committee Chair John Ray not only agreed to conduct an oversight

hearing on April 14, 1992, on the many irregularities surrounding both of these projects, but also asked the Department (and the Department agreed) not to issue a demolition permit for the Western Presbyterian Church until the conclusion of his Committee's hearing and review. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend. The meeting time has not yet been announced.

### March 9 — Zoning Commission

At this regular meeting, final action was taken on the downzoning of FB's historic district. See article elsewhere in this issue.

### March 9 — Off-Campus Student Housing Hearing:

The City Council's Committee on Consumer & Regulatory Affairs, chaired by Councilmember John Ray, held an

extended hearing on enforcement of zoning and housing restrictions applicable to the operation of off-campus student housing. ANC Commissioner Maria Tyler testified, as well as FB residents Ellie Becker and Vivian Olds. A full report will be published in the next *News*.

### March 11 — Zoning Commission:

After the Zoning Commission's decision on the proposed IMF expansion, the community's attorney objected to the Zoning Commission's improperly considering a letter from the Western Presbyterian Church in making its decision without hearing from the community which had not received a copy of the letter. As a result, on March 11, 1992, the Zoning Commission agreed to reopen the record to receive comments from the community on the church's letter.

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## Foggy Bottom Historic District Downzoned

By Maria Tyler,  
Commissioner ANC-2A03

In the February 1992 edition of the *Foggy Bottom News* I reported about the Zoning Commission's unanimous approval of ANC-2A's petition to downzone the Foggy Bottom Historic District (FBHD) to the R-3 zoning category. This would bring its zoning into conformity with the principle characteristics of the two-to-three story rowhouses of the FBHD and implement the pro-

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## Foggy Bottom Association MEETING

Speaker:

**John Wilson**

Chairman

**D.C. City Council**

**7:30 P.M. Monday  
March 30, 1992**

**St. Paul's Parish House  
2430 K Street, N.W.**

### Inside This Issue

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## Letters to the Editor

EXPRESS YOUR OPINION

### For IMF/Western Efforts

Please find enclosed a modest contribution toward your efforts concerning IMF/Western Presbyterian. Since my office as well as my home are at the Watergate I am very interested in what happens to the Foggy Bottom neighborhood. Thank you for your circulars informing us all as to what is happening.

J. Howell Tiller, M.D.

### GWU Responds To "Just Clean It Up"

March 10, 1992

Your article in the March issue of the Foggy Bottom News entitled "Just Clean It Up" gives the impression that the George Washington University is not sensitive to the aesthetics and living environment within the Foggy Bottom community. We are interested in the quality of life for the 2300 block of Virginia Avenue and the remaining areas surrounding our campus.

The University has been working on facilities upgrade plans for the 2300 block for the past several weeks. These plans will improve the appearance and general environment of the several row houses owned by the University. It should be noted that specific improvements will be made to the former liquor store space, improving the appearance and quality of this space. It is anticipated the facilities upgrades will occur during the upcoming spring and/or summer months.

Efforts are being made to in-

form the student tenants of their responsibilities, both from a behavior and a cleanliness perspective. These efforts will be ongoing over the next several weeks.

Please understand we are making a concerted effort to improve our properties and improve the Foggy Bottom environment. However, we do not own or control the appearance and overall conditions presented by three of the properties on the block, specifically 2329 Virginia Avenue N.W. These properties impact the area and need addressing also. Your efforts in this area would be appreciated.

The George Washington University is very sensitive to the Foggy Bottom environment, and will be making great efforts to improve the aesthetics and physical friendliness of our campus and the surrounding community. It would be beneficial for the university and the community to work together to further this end. In doing so, I extend an invitation to meet with you and our other neighbors.

Louis H. Katz

Vice President and Treasurer  
The George Washington University

*Mr. Katz: This photo was taken six weeks after the problem was brought to your attention. Does it really take six weeks to work out a plan to have an employee visit the site, traveling in one of GWU's vehicles, and remove these broken trashcans and the discarded door? Such careful planning and sensitivity to the aesthetics!*

*But any improvement, early or late, will help.*

Ellie Becker



## Hearings

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### March 30 — Zoning Commission:

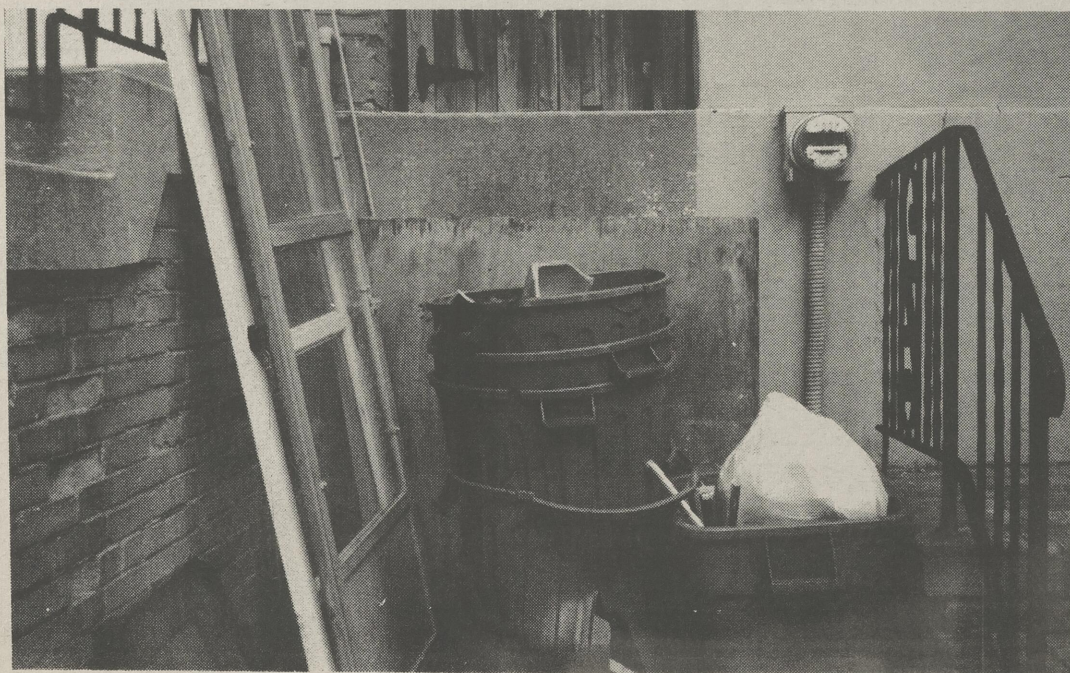
On March 30, the Zoning Commission will hold a hearing on the Associated General Contractors' Planned Unit Development at 1957 E Street. AGC is requesting change in zoning, a 107-foot height, 8.0 floor area ratio, 27.5% residential, and 200 parking spaces. The hearing will be at 7:00 p.m. in Room 9 of the District Building. Both the ANC and FBA oppose this PUD as it stands.

### April 11 — Committee on Consumer and Regulatory Affairs

As mentioned above, Councilmember Ray will hold an oversight hearing on irregularities which occurred in the IMF/Western Presbyterian Church and 2501 Pennsylvania Avenue cases. The time has not yet been set.

### April-May — Hearing on IMF Alley Closing

Also not yet set is the Council committee hearing on the IMF alley closing. Councilmember Charlene Drew Jarvis will hold the hearing at a location in the FB community, and it is planned for the evening to allow more residents to attend. Watch for further word on definite date and time, and plan to attend this important hearing.



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## Historic Preservation Fund-Raiser

Historic Preservation is one of the special interests of the residents of Foggy Bottom and the West End. Recently there have been several events and proposed zoning changes which have brought the need for an active role and support by the residents of Foggy Bottom. To achieve official recognition of the special, historic aspect of our neighborhood requires funding from the community. There are several ongoing projects in need of financial support including the landmark designation of the Western Presbyterian Church.

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## Back To Bond Basics

By Joseph O'Donnell, C.F.A.

We regularly run into people who are doing something fundamentally wrong with their investments. One of the most common mistakes is settling for extremely low returns in exchange for safety. Preservation of principal should be a major consideration for all investors, but it is important to understand the many options available in the securities marketplace.

We'll focus on the highest-quality investments, direct obligations of the U.S. Government. Many individuals with substantial savings leave it all in banks or savings and loan associations because their deposits are federally insured. A much better alternative, and one that is equally safe, is to buy Treasury securities. You can purchase them through a bank or brokerage house; to save the commission, buy new issues directly from the Treasury. For more information, call the Treasury Department at (202) 874-4000.

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or less than your original investment (plus interest).

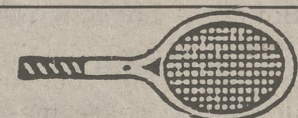
Treasury securities are issued as bills (maturities of 3 to 12 months), notes (2 to 10 years), and bonds (10+ to 30 years). Bill yields are too low (4.1%-4.6%) for most individuals to bother with these days, but notes and bonds are worth considering. Approximate yields of other Treasury maturities are as follows: 2 years, 5.6%; 5 years, 7.0%; 10 years, 7.5% and 30 years, 8.0%. The income from all of these securities is subject to federal taxes but free of state and local income taxes.

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Another alternative is to buy shares of mutual funds that hold Treasury securities in their portfolios. These funds are not insured, but if you invest in such a fund offered by the likes of Vanguard or Fidelity, with assets under management on the order of \$100 billion, the added risk is minimal. The following table shows how interest rate changes affect the price of bond fund shares:

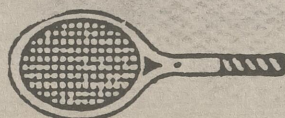
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## Walking On Icy Surfaces

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1. Wear sturdy shoes or boots having plenty of surface area on the ground. Also, rubber cleats or treads on the soles of shoes are helpful.

2. A slightly flexed gait (knees not locked but bent) with toes pointing in seems to improve the ability to grip the surface (point toes out walking up a snow-covered hillside).

3. A pitted or rough surface is easier to walk on than a smooth one. Carefully choose your walking route to avoid the slicker surfaces.

4. Sprinkling sand on walking surfaces will help pit the surface of ice and provide better traction. Calcium chloride is also very good, and is not as detrimental to plant life as is sodium chloride (salt).

5. Shovel out paths so that walkers will not trample low shrubs in deep or heavy snow. Where paths are impractical, place barriers and guides, such as overturned trash cans, that can be seen above the snow.

## Highlights of ANC-2A March 14, 1992 Meeting

At its regularly-scheduled monthly meeting the ANC:

- Heard a presentation from representatives of L&N Seafood on the development of their restaurant at 2401 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, and their proposed application for a liquor license.
- Heard a presentation by a representative of the Kennedy Center and an independent architect on the initial concept of a grand staircase from the Kennedy Center Terrace to the riverfront and an improved promenade along the riverfront from the Kennedy Center to Washington Harbor in Georgetown (e.g., widened pathway, improved lighting), both of which would be entirely privately funded as a package.
- Opposed the requested change in zoning from SP-2 to C-4 of the block-long parcel at 1957 E Street, NW, and the proposed development of the site as a Planned Unit Development by the Association of General Contractors of America.
- Strongly opposed the substantive content of the reported agreement entered into by the US EPA, the US GSA, and the District of Columbia's DCRA to address the environmental pollution problems at the GSA steam plants in Georgetown (just across Rock Creek from Foggy Bottom) and in the L'Enfant Plaza area and strongly opposed the "behind-closed-door" process by which it was negotiated without community and ANC knowledge or input.

### It Still Could Happen!



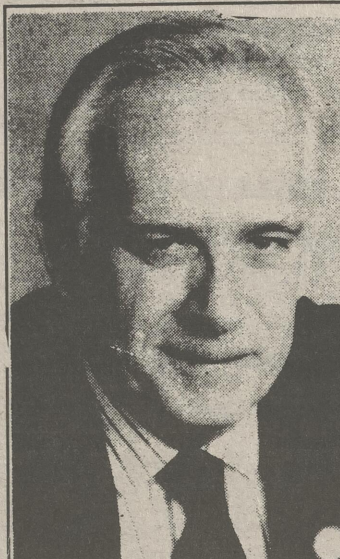
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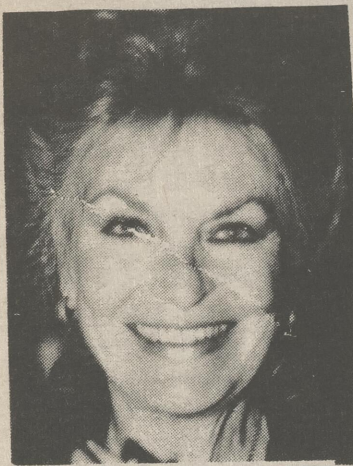
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# Sidewalk Talk



By Betty Olsen

to enjoy along with the fresh air on a day in the country.

Eyes of the Needy, 549 Millburn Ave., Short Hills, NJ 07078 needs your used eyeglasses. They should be packed well for mailing. Consider your mailed eyeglasses a donation.

Saw **MIKE STEVENSON** on the Sidewalk recently and told him that I hadn't seen him as of late. Well, no wonder, he has been spending a week here and a week there, one in Cayman islands, and the other in London and he had knee surgery at Sibley and uses ultrasound to speed the healing process. "The knee problems didn't begin with tennis but the game certainly aggravated the situation," he said. Within a few months, however, you will hear him cry, "Anyone for tennis." He just loves the game and it is getting to be that time of the year.

Sorry to hear that **ANNE LOMAS'** father died recently. He lived in Chestertown.

If you have magazines that you would like to share after you read them take them to St. Mary's Court on 24th Street. Their funds do not include reading material for their residents so they would appreciate your sharing your reading material with them. Administrator **BARBARA BRUNTON** will be so glad you did.

**DEBBIE ROGAL** is a new neighbor in Foggy Bottom — welcome. Rogal grew up in Pittsburgh but has lived in Boston for the past nine years. She moved to our area seven months ago. Rogal is in health services. That's usually listed as the number one job to have these days — good to have a winner in our midst. Up and at 'em, Debbie!

Saw **LINDA GREENAN** at a recent ANC-2A meeting.

She's the liaison for Ward Two Councilman **JACK EVANS** and was busy liaisoning (is that a word?) for him.

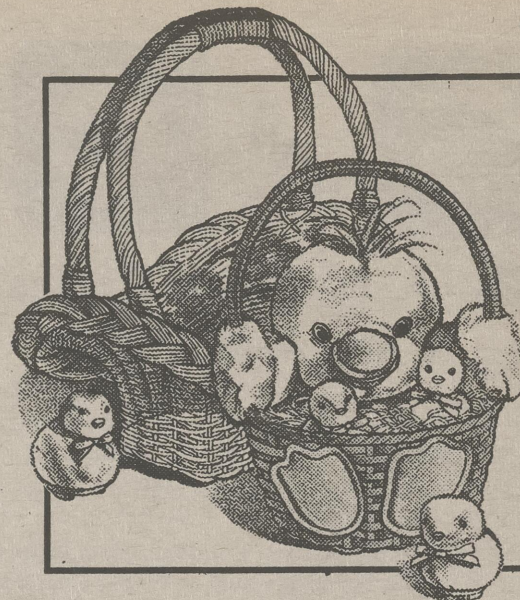
Sorry to hear one of our reporters — **HAROLD LINDSTROM**, who dug up stories of "Days Gone By" at the Historical Society's archives — was sick! Hurry up and get well, Harold, Foggy Bottom needs active people like you!

**HENRIETTA Y.** (What's the "Y" stand for anyway?) **ZOLTROW** spent the not-too-distant-past holidays in San Juan, Puerto Rico. She now is getting ready to pack her nearly dry bathing suit for Barbados. Zoltrow qualifies as the apple of her friends' eyes. For instance, I heard when she complained of not being able to find decent apples anymore, one of her Washington State friends sent her a whole bushel! With her thank you to them she quipped "Since you're so vulnerable to my suggestions — how about sending a payment toward my mortgage?"

**MARY** and **BOB BREWSTER** returned a short while ago from Egypt — yes, Egypt! The couple spent one week on the Nile and then Mary stopped in Holland to visit cronies living there. She lived in that country for five years at one time. When she arrived home, Bob literally opened his heart for her — he had scheduled angioplasty while she was away. Talk about efficiency personified — I saw him at a recent Foggy Bottom meeting when President of GWU **TRACHTENBURG** spoke, and Bob looked marvelous . . . just marvelous.

**CLINT EASTWOOD** was seen on the slopes this season somewhere at sometime — but where oh where? Send sightings to **BETTY OLSEN**, *Foggy Bottom News* at the West End Library. My daughter, Kirsten, won't divulge his whereabouts from her ski reports each weekday morning from 5 to 8 a.m. Go to your room, Kirsten.

**CHUCK MINKOWITZ** of



## Welcome, New Kids on the Block

A beautiful baby boy, **GREGORY BARKER CROSSWELL**, weighing 9 pounds, 2 ounces, was born on January 15, 1992 to **JILL BARKER** and **MICHAEL CROSSWELL**, longtime residents of Foggy Bottom, where they live in a lovely house in the heart of the Historic District. Jill is a partner in a nearby law firm and Mike is with USAID. Both love the great convenience of being able to walk to work and now of walking little Gregory in his pram along our historic streets. Congratulations to both! We are all happy for them and warmly welcome the baby resident to Foggy Bottom.

Arriving February 5 at 4:35 a.m. was **BRETT ALEXANDER SELLMAN**, who weighed in at seven pounds, two ounces. He is the second son of **ED** and **VICKIE SELLMAN**.

Early February was an eventful time at the Van Horn house. On the 2nd **ROY VAN HORN** celebrated his "umpty-umphth birthday; four days later he got word he passed the CPA exam; and on the 9th he and **CINDY** became the parents of **ALEX-ANDRA** (already known as Alex) at Bethesda Naval Hospital. **TOM VAN HORN** is playing the protective big brother role like a trooper.

the Claridge House was interviewed LIVE on Fox-Channel 5 in the bedlam following the Redskins' Superbowl victory on the sidewalk of Georgetown. Seems very fitting, don't you agree, to mention his appearance in *Sidewalk Talk* in Foggy Bottom.

**SARA MADDUX**, new chair-

man of ANC-2A, was speaker at the West End Citizens' Association. Maddux speaks so softly that you really have to listen to hear her — maybe that is what she has in mind.

**SYLVIA WATSON** popped up to Atlantic City on a weekend recently.

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Celebrating West End Library's 25th anniversary are Librarian Barbara Kubinski, former West End Librarian Diane Mohr, and Councilmember Hilda Mason.

## Friends Celebrate Library's Anniversary

Happy 25th Birthday to the West End Library! That was the theme of the February 25th reception hosted by the West End Library Friends for supporters of the library. The Friends is a nonprofit group that raises money to assist the library.

John A. Wilson, chair of the D.C. City Council, spoke of his continuing efforts to save the library from being closed. Jack Evans, Ward 2 Council member, also spoke of his determination to ensure that the library continues to serve the West End/Foggy Bottom/Dupont Circle communities.

Other guests included Hilda Mason, Council member and chair of the Education and Libraries Committee; Dr. Har-

dy R. Franklin, Director of the D.C. Library System; Stephen G. Callas, trustee of the D.C.

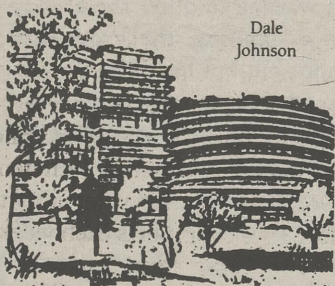
Library Board; Mrs. Lillian G. Wesley, president of the Federation of Friends of the



At the West End Library party were Maria Tyler, ANC Commissioner; FBA Vice President Henrietta Zoltrow, Lucile Duprat, Treasurer of the West End Library Friends, Mary Lou Hennessy, Friends' Vice President, Council Chairman John A. Wilson and West End Library Friends President Robert C. Brewster.

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## Creative Writing Festival For Senior Adults

On April 2, the DC Commission on the Arts and Humanities, Arts Project Renaissance, and the National Council on the Aging are sponsoring a Creative Writing Festival for Senior Adults. The event (9:30 am-1:30 pm) will be held at the National Council on the Aging at 409 3rd Street, SW (close to the Federal Center, SW Metro). It is free to residents of the Washington Metropolitan area who are at least 60 years old. Workshops for beginning and experienced writers on creating a family history, poetry, and memories as inspiration are offered, and a poetry reading by winners of the Renaissance Poetry Contest will be the closing event.

Arts Project Renaissance is also offering a free class for older adults on "Poetry and Exploring Multicultural Writing," from March 27-May 1 (7:30-8:45 pm) at St. Mary's Court at 725 24th Street, NW, Washington, DC (close to the Foggy Bottom Metro). Call Mary Quattlebaum at 202-362-55621 for more information on both events.



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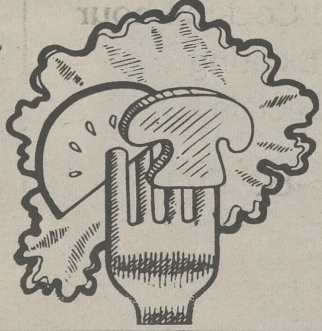
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# WASHINGTON WATCH

## To The Ladies — Bless 'Em

The story of Washington wives is one of lively participation in affairs of state and elsewhere. This in contrast to Britain and France, in fact most other countries, where the women are not so liberated.

Here some intriguing though not earth-shaking tales:

THE YOUNG KENNEDYS are still seen as the most glamorous couple to come to the White House.

Once, on vacation in the south of France after their marriage, Kennedy then a Congressman, they were at a dinner party on the Onassis yacht. Winston Churchill was also a guest, and Jack was much upset because Churchill almost totally ignored him. But Jackie evidently made an impression on "the richest man in the world," later her husband Ari.

After Jack became President, they were again in France, and deGaulle was most impressed with Jackie. "Yes, she is unique," he agreed, "I can see her in about ten years on the yacht of a Greek petrol millionaire." (You believe this?)

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MAMIE EISENHOWER was one of many who found Washington life a heavy burden, and was never reconciled. She especially missed Ike when he was on an extended stay in Britain as Supreme Commander of the Allied Expeditionary Force. Mamie was tormented by stories of Ike's affair with his British WAC driver, Kay Summersby. Ike always denied any intimacy, but everybody else had doubts. The Chicago Tribune's reporter in London, queried, said, "Well, I have never before seen a chauffeur get out of the car and kiss the General good morning."

Later at a family gathering,

Ike twice misspoke, called "Mamie" "Kay." Mamie burned to a crisp. Kay, rejected, got even with Ike. In her book Kay revealed that Ike was apparently impotent all the time he was in Britain, when they were supposedly "intimate."

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ALICE ROOSEVELT LONGWORTH. Daughter of Teddy Roosevelt, it was said she dominated Washington society for seven decades. She was noted for her caustic, often cruel wit. Of her cousin she said "Franklin was the sort of boy you invited to the dance, but not to the dinner." Later, more tolerant, on his affair with Lucy Mercer, she said, "It was good for Franklin. He deserved a good time. He was married to Eleanor."

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MARTHA WASHINGTON. How chance may change the course of history. Some believe that Washington might never have become President if he had not married Martha Custis. Washington, returning from an activity as Colonel of the Virginia militia, stopped off to see a friend at the "White House," as the Custis mansion was called. He was persuaded to stay to see Martha, "the most beautiful and wealthiest widow in Virginia." Washington stayed for dinner, then overnight, and at once became an ardent suitor.

We remember Martha mostly as a sedate older lady, seated like Whistler's mother, unexciting. But in her youth she was an accomplished horsewoman(!). One time she even rode her horse Fatima up the stairs at her Uncle William's house, then down again, her stepmother horrified.

At a dinner party honoring

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Washington on his leaving the Presidency, Martha asked a woman guest if she wished a memento of the President. "Yes, Yes," she replied, I should like a lock of his hair." Martha forthwith took a pair of scissors and cut a lock from Washington's head, then a lock of her own. Since Washington, contrary to the practice of many gentlemen of that time, refused to wear a wig, the lock was genuine.

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DOLLEY MADISON was born into a Quaker family, was disowned when she married out of the Quaker faith. She was brought up to dress plainly, behave demurely, and shun ostentation, and later lived the exact opposite. After marrying James Madison she was hostess for the widower President Jefferson. When Madison later became President she was called "the most popular lady ever to entertain in the Capital." So great was her popularity it was said that all the women "if Dolley wore emeralds, acquired a parrot, or revealed a cleavage, at once followed suit."

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When STEVENSON ran for President against Eisenhower, his enemies tried to blow up the issue of his being divorced. But at a caucus of Catholics in Massachusetts, one man said, "Hell, half our wives would divorce us if they could." He got an ovation; the issue had little effect.

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NANCY REAGAN, at a luncheon, had a feeling she must go home at once. A Secret Service man waiting told her there had been a shooting, the President was not hit, but had gone to the hospital. Nancy insisted on going to the hospital, found Ron on the operating table. He lifted the oxygen mask, said, "Honey, I forgot to duck." (This was our own George Washington Hospital.)

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MRS. WARREN G. HARDING managed to kill a bill to purchase a house for the Vice President. "I just couldn't have people like those Coolidges living in that beautiful house."

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BETTY FORD commented on "60 MINUTES" that "she wouldn't be surprised if her daughter Susan had an affair." Much comment followed THAT.

Enough for today. Next time, my thirty-year love affair with Eleanor.

Don Tobey

April 1992

## To Foggy Bottom Residents:

The Session and people of Western Presbyterian Church feel no real joy in the recent decisions by the Zoning Commission and the Historic Preservation Review Board. Obviously, we are grateful that these rulings will allow our relocation to move forward. However, true joy is missing because we regret that such decisions were necessary in the first place.

We have always known that there would be individuals who would resist our relocation. Change induces uncertainty and often resistance. However, our hope was that most area residents would see that Western Church has a 137-year track record of commitment to the well-being of Foggy Bottom. Few neighborhood institutions can claim such a history of involvement in the life of Foggy Bottom.

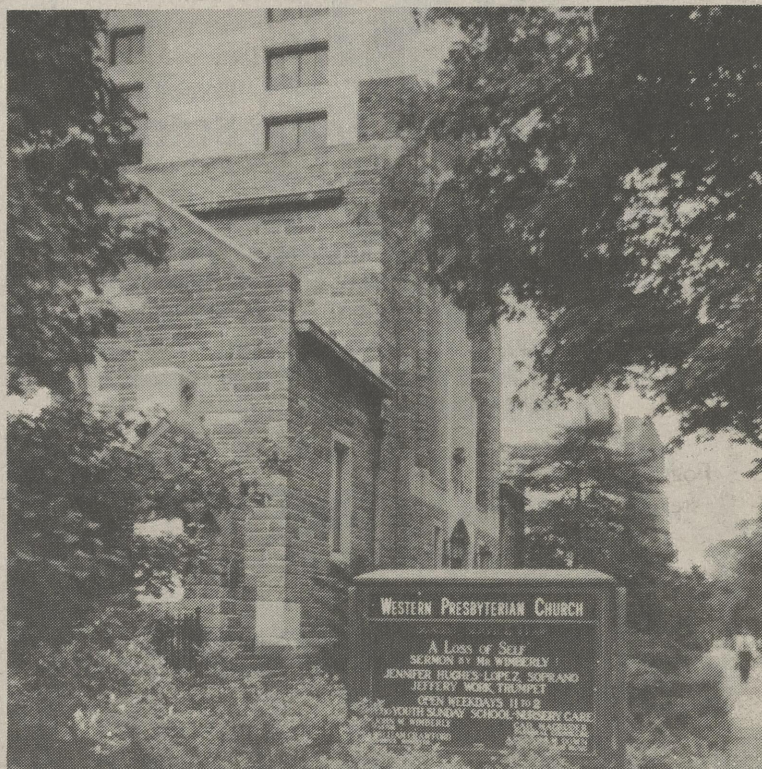
We understood that some would react negatively to the five breakfasts a week that we serve the homeless. The mere thought of the homeless frightens some. Nonetheless, we hoped that people would examine carefully the responsible way in which our program has been run for the past eight years by a board which includes members from various local churches, the George Washington University community, and residential Foggy Bottom.

Our intention has always been to work openly with the neighborhood in resolving issues surrounding our relocation. Thus, we initiated a meeting with the ANC at a very early date more than two years ago. We also initiated meetings and signed legal agreements with the adjacent condos regarding shared architectural issues.

During the latest struggle over zoning, we twice wrote the ANC offering to establish an oversight committee that would monitor and evaluate Miriam's Kitchen. Reluctantly, we even offered to give this oversight committee the authority to terminate the feeding program if it was not being run according to pre-established criteria. Unfortunately, by not responding in any way to either of these letters, the ANC rejected our offer. We will continue to look for ways to gather community input from concerned citizens regarding our present and future ministries.

Like most congregations, we do not seek or enjoy controversy. We try to avoid potential conflicts. We aspire only to worship God and care for those who are struggling in life. We will continue to hope, pray and work for peace and harmony in the neighborhood we so love.

The Session of  
Western Presbyterian Church



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## To The Session of Western Presbyterian Church:

The letter from the Session of Western Presbyterian Church demonstrates the divergent views between the Church and the Foggy Bottom/West End Community. Some key points are worth mentioning:

1) The Church regrets the need for Zoning and Historic Preservation approval. The IMF PUD and the Church relocation involved critical zoning, historic preservation and public safety issues. Regulatory oversight is important to ensure that the public interest is served. The Church is not an entity unto itself. It must live and work within Foggy Bottom. Opposition to the relocation is not an attempt to restrict religious worship or prevent service delivery to the homeless. It is based on a legitimate concern for public safety which all public and private organizations must respect.

2) There has been an almost universal opposition within the Foggy Bottom/West End community to the IMF PUD and the Church relocation. Opposition was expressed from the beginning — even two years ago when the project was initially proposed. The proponents have held many meetings with the community (more than 20). At all these meetings overwhelming and vociferous opposition was expressed. In my judgment, the proponents have not attempted to alter their proposal to incorporate community concerns regarding: excessive building size, extravagant landscaping, elimination of a mini-park, lack of amenities to the community, historic preservation, negative impact of Miriam's Kitchen, etc.

3) The latest proposal to establish an oversight Board for Miriam's Kitchen was, in my opinion, disingenuous at best. No one who ever publicly expressed an opinion on the Kitchen's relocation could be a member of the oversight Board. If the Board recommended terminating the program, an undefined arbitration process would be initiated. In other words, any critics would be excluded and there would not be a process for closing down the program if it was deemed harmful to the community. I would also mention that this proposal was submitted to the Zoning Commission after their deadline for compromise proposals. Therefore no time was allowed for consideration of the oversight Board proposal by the ANC or the FBA.

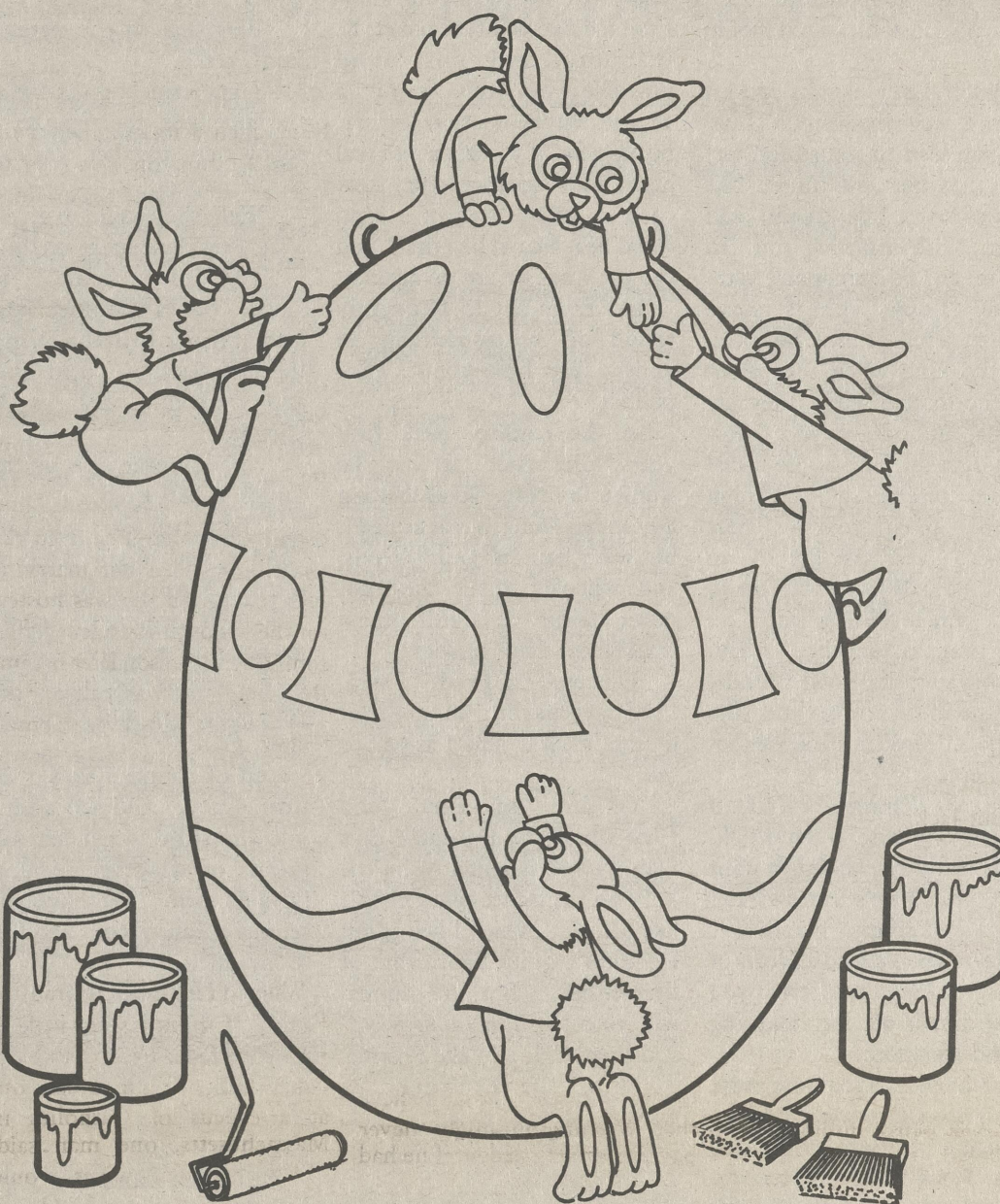
4) No one has argued that Miriam's Kitchen has not been responsibly run at its present commercial location. I personally served as a volunteer. The concern is not the program itself but whether it should be located in a residential area. The Church has never addressed the issue of dispersal of the homeless into the Foggy Bottom community. Currently, the homeless leave the immediate vicinity of the Church. No one knows where they go afterwards and whether at the new location the homeless would be more inclined to remain in Foggy Bottom. Given that this community already has a significant homeless population, would Miriam's Kitchen aggravate an already worsening problem?

5) The community does have a legitimate concern for historic preservation. Our motivation to designate the Church was genuine. The close, and in our judgment clouded, vote (3-2) by the HPRB demonstrates that there were significant historic preservation issues with the Church.

The Foggy Bottom Association continues to oppose the IMF/Western Presbyterian project. There are at least three hearings where this project will be reviewed. The FBA will continue to express the same concerns as stated in this letter. We urge the IMF and the Church to reconsider its proposal and address legitimate community concerns.

Chris Lamb  
President

Foggy Bottom Association



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## Romance In Tinkers Paradise

By Donald Tobey

Well, as they say, there is no fool like an old fool. Especially, in Foggy Bottom, an old fool in love.

And if Lucy caught me off balance, well who wouldn't, and this can lead to something terrific, not hot and frantic like young love, but steady and warm, with someone you can care for and be comfortable with.

And Lucy, she is some woman, a real armful, not skinny, the kind when she passes by, the football guys, they say hubba! hubba!, if you know what I mean. She is the social studies teacher at the high school, most years' "best teacher," and she got me to coach the girls' basketball team, about which the less said . . . but that is another story. Anyway, we are good friends, and she always stops and says hi, like at Tinkers Paradise that afternoon.

Tinkers Paradise? Well, if you're wondering, when my old pappy started it, he didn't want just 'Houlihan's Hardware,' but a "Tinkers Paradise," where you could find all sorts of special things, whatever you could dream of, for tinkering around the place.

And he drew trade from as far as Swampoodle, toward the Capitol, and a lot from Georgetown, across Rock Creek. Of course, times change, and after I took over, I put in some groceries and produce, which they appreciated, and later things like beauty stuff and panty hose, which I never could quite get used to.

And when I sold out to Tony, we even fixed up the old back storage room, where I remembered some kerosene lamps and pruning hooks and washtubs, and even trusses and long underwear and chamber pots, now all gone with the wind. So now the room is set up nice, the PTA or the Garden Club can hold meetings, or the Cub Scouts or the Brownies, if someone is keeping an eye on them. And we set up a couple of tables in the sort of patio outside, under the big oak.

So this is our cozy little corner of Foggy Bottom, a place like the man said, that time forgot, perched over Rock Creek and looking down to the Potomac beyond. Today the sun was bright, coming down through the old oaks, with a little breeze, and we could see a couple of shells of the Georgetown crew, coming up as far as Tinkers Cove below.

It's late afternoon, and we are sitting here in the little patio, me and Fred and Barney and Sol, old friends of mine; we get together regular, to play cards,

and swap stories and tell big lies. Today we are trying to show Fred the fine points of poker; he still preferred our usual pinochle, but this is for a change. But he is a slow learner, he has a fix, if you got a pair real high, plus another pair, how come a lousy three of a kind could beat a hand like that? You can see what we are up against.

And he is apt to frequently sound off on something he knows very little about. Like politics.

Set the country back fifty years," he said, "giving the women the vote. Good-looking guy comes along, a real airhead, but wavy hair and pearly teeth, and whoosh, there they go, never mind he don't know buckwheat from bustles."

"Oh come on, Fred," I said, "old days maybe, but now a lot of 'em, most as smart as you or me."

"Oh sure," said Fred, "and I see where the President says Dan Quayle is going to be the V.P. on the ticket again in '92, like before." Which I will admit I couldn't quite figure that at first either. "But the women will vote for him in droves," said Fred, "He's in like Flynn."

"With the President as popular as he is now," I said, "Mr. Quayle will slide right in on his coattails."

It was then we saw Lucy coming up past the old hitching post, and she came over and said "Hi," and "I suppose you boys have settled all the problems that have been troubling us."

And Fred nudged my knee, and then he said, "Well, I hear the President says we will have Mr. Quayle on the ticket again in '92, and a lot of people are scared to death, how can HE ever take over, in case God forbid."

"I heard," says Lucy, "and we just hope nothing happens."

"But I guess," said Fred, "him being young and goodlooking, the women voters will put him over anyway." Which I didn't think was the best way to put it, nor did Lucy, but she come back real calm.

"I'm sure his looks won't hurt him any," said Lucy, "but as Vice President he has done a good job."

"I guess he has gone to a lot of funerals," said Fred.

"He does a lot of appearances," said Lucy, "to save the President time. But he has done very well on some special projects too."

"I hadn't heard," said Fred.

"Well, especially trying to get rid of just mountains of government regulations that are driving a lot of little people out of business. And lately he was in

Japan, to put some fire under them for their contribution for the Gulf War, and also make their market more open for our goods."

"Was that in the papers?" said Fred.

"The President is the one gets the limelight, the reporters all follow him, and their stories get in the papers."

"Well, they ought to give the Vice President more credit."

"That they should," said Lucy, "but as to women voters, a great majority in the District, the last election, voted liberal and Democrat, not for Mr. Quayle."

"Nobody ever tells us these things," said Fred.

"That's politics," said Lucy, "and if you've got three aces there, it's worth a bet."

So then she puts her hand on my shoulder and says, "Matt, I have a serious question I'd like your advice on, and I'll call you later, O.K.?"

And of course I said, "Any time, Lucy," and she went on into the store to get her salad greens or whatever. And the guys all said, "We have got a serious question too," and I said to lay off it.

Sol looked over at Fred and said, "I think I see a little egg on your face, Fred." But Fred just said, "I am looking for those three aces," but he was quiet for a while.

Well Lucy called that night, and she has two tickets to the Classics Movies at Kennedy Center, would I like to go, and as we had been friends so long and sometimes went to school games together, it was not out of line. So we went.

Now it turned out the movie was "Smilin' Through" with Norma Shearer, which if you remember is a three-hanky tearjerker, and Lucy used her hanky and I blew my nose and everybody cried and had a wonderful time.

Afterwards, to do it up right, I took her to the Watergate, for a sort of nightcap, and there we were in a booth at the Hideaway, holding hands like two teenagers. And while we had kidded around a lot in times past, I gathered Lucy had something on her mind.

Now I will tell you, here is where I broke a rule that has kept me out of all sorts of trouble in the past, which is, "If it can get complicated later, do not take that FIRST STEP!"

But to help her along, I said, "Come on, Lucy, you got a problem, I got a big shoulder to cry on."

"Thanks, but it's not like that," said Lucy, "It's just something I'd like your opinion on."

"If this is something with the girls' basketball, no way," I

said. "I spent a solid year trying to protect the virginity for fifteen lively young fillies, with precious little cooperation I can tell you. And I am lucky to got out clean."

"People will never forget the Tinkerbelles," said Lucy, "but no." She took a long slow sip of her drink. "Matt, today is the anniversary of the day I got the War Department telegram, 'We deeply regret to inform you . . .'"

"Doug," I said, "his being lost in Vietnam."

"Yes," said Lucy, "and I wanted you to know, Matt, what is past is past, but I've decided, I've got to know, what am I going to do with the rest of my life."

"And I lost Mary, so sudden nobody would have expected," I said, "We both got left alone."

"Yes, the both of us," said Lucy, "I have cried a lot, but that's over too. Now," she stopped to find the words, "we have known each other for a long time, Matt, we don't need to play games."

"We sure don't," I said, and wondered what comes next.

"I never thought I'd get married again," Lucy shook her head, "but being single, it has problems."

"It's lonesome," I said, "so many things, you feel left out."

I remembered, after Lucy got news that Doug was lost in Vietnam, she took on more things, like dramatics club, and class trips to Smithsonian the school budget wouldn't allow, and later classes for kids who couldn't read so well. And she got me to coach the girls' basketball team, and I lost a lot of sleep believe me.

"I'm very involved with the kids," said Lucy, "being a teacher is the greatest. But after that, I want someone to come home to, and let down. And the nights, they're so lonely."

"That's the worst time," I said, from experience.

"I always thought I'd like to see the Greek Isles," Lucy laughed, "just a silly thing, but traveling alone, that's no fun, and to travel with just anyone . . ."

"Anyway," Lucy squeezed my hand, "I guess you know what I'm getting at. I can't wait much longer to make a decision,



and you're the the one and only man I could ever think of, making a decision like that."

So there it was. And the last thing in the world I could do was to hurt Lucy, her having the courage to lay it out like that.

"I think you know that I had a special feeling for you for a long time," I said, "but I always told myself, hey, you're ten, fifteen years older than she is. Even, pretty soon, I'll be on Social Security."

"I thought of that," said Lucy, "and I also remember you were a four-letter man, and three years all conference in baseball. Even now, you've got more zip than most fellows I know my own age. We could have some wonderful years together."

I had to have time to think. "Still," I said, "how will you feel when you hear people saying, 'Who is the pretty young lady with the older man?'"

"I'll just feel lucky," said Lucy, "and I know your blarney from way back."

I was looking at Lucy, those fabulous brown eyes, the mop of wavy brown hair, and thinking, how we could talk, or just sit quiet and enjoy being together. And I realized how bare my life was, alone.

"This involves problems for both of us," I said, "so let's think about it, including the age. I could never stand your thinking you made a mistake." To tell the truth, I didn't really feel that old, on the other hand.

We got a cab, and were standing at her door. "Cup of coffee?" said Lucy.

"There's early deliveries coming in, I promised to help Tony with," I lied. "Besides,

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the way I feel, you better not let me in anyway."

"Same old Matt," said Lucy, "leading a gal on."

I wish I could," I said. "Goodnight, Matt," said Lucy.

She leaned close and turned her face up to me. A goodnight kiss can tell a guy an awful lot. This one I remembered.

I didn't sleep so good that night, it all kept coming back, what is old, what is too old. Then suddenly, it was about 4:00, I sat up straight in bed, with a feeling I hadn't had in a long, long time. A dream, just Lucy stroking my arm. Saints Mary and Joseph! "What is this, for an old guy like you?" I said. And was it a sign, old, not too old?

And I thought of so many old friends in Foggy Bottom, partners now gone, living alone, shut off in the little houses, the weary nights. They would be so much better off, pairing up with someone, to be active, get back into life.

So all this was going through my mind next evening, when we were in the back room at the store, giving Fred some more points on poker. Which he still didn't seem to understand.

He picked up a card and said "hah!" and carefully arranged his hand, two cards here, two cards next; what kind of poker was this?

Now Lucy was right, we could have some wonderful years together, maybe Greek Isles and Dublin both. And in the romance department, not fireworks, but being together, caring for each other.

A good pot, Fred was staying in after I raised another quarter. Barney was pulling at the little gold garbage can he wore — twenty years on the sanitation trucks, he was bluffing. Sol raised a quarter, big for him, then I raised again, Fred was staying in; he was going to have to learn the hard way.

Lucy was making a good salary, and would have a respectable pension some day. For me, Tony's payments against the store deal were more than I needed, and I had been putting by all these years. We would be comfortable. More important was, how would she feel when they wondered, "This old guy is your husband?"

Fred was hanging in, Barney was still in, Sol said, "You guys are crazy," and dropped out when Fred raised a half dollar. Fred was learning, easiest way is scare them out. But I was sorry for him, two aces maybe, and another pair? Well he would remember better if it cost him. I met his half dollar and raised him another half. Maybe now he would see the light.

Shouldn't I feel good, Lucy giving me a break, a rough old red-haired mick? She could have picked some other guy, like Homer, the science teacher, or Butch Grogan, the football coach, him with the big gut. Butch making a pass at Lucy? The nerve of the S.O.B.!

Sol was hollering at me, "Wake up!" "OK! OK!" I said. This was a beautiful, I mean a beautiful pot.

I raised Fred another fifty cents, him and his two pair. He'd better fold, learn to cut his losses. But he hung in, and Barney said, "Too rich for my blood!" and folded. Sol was watching, his mouth open. So it was Fred and me.

Fred was looking at me, hugging his precious two pair, and I could tell he was scared. This would be a lesson for him. I raised a dollar, give him a chance to fold now. But he antied up the dollar and looked at me and said "Can I call?"

"You sure can!" I said, and laid down my three queens and reached for the pot. But Fred said "Ha-boot that!" and laid down not his two pair, but three kings. You could have knocked

me over with a club. This was plain illegal! And plain disgusting, to see Fred beating his chest as he raked in that beautiful pot. And Sol hooting and slapping his thigh. I get no respect.

But Barney was crying. "I had a full house," he said. "I thought sure one of you must have a royal flush."

"Is that better than three of a kind?" said Fred. And to me, "I saw you holding onto those three cards, and I had an ace and damn I figured my kings had a chance." I doubt I will even try to help Fred anymore.

I have had a lot of funny and also frustrating things happen at Tinkers Paradise. Like when the half pint little Yorkie treed the big Persian cat of Mrs. Pettigrew and when the fat lady got stuck in the bathroom.

But this was worse, to find a good friend like Fred, that I had tried to look out for, would turn on you and try to ruin you. Anything I hate worse than a bad loser is a happy winner.

No, it would not be fair to Lucy. It may hurt for a while, but she would find someone younger. Though not Butch. Stop thinking of someone to greet you at the door, a warm supper, no more long, lonely nights. Someone I could be comfortable with, get back into life. But I definitely made up my mind, it had to be no, to be fair to Lucy.

I will try not to let Lucy know how much I care about this. So, Thursday Lucy has promised to give me a good home-cooked dinner, then I can explain it to her as easy as possible. A good corned beef and cabbage dinner, and Lucy in a pretty apron is not going to make me change my mind. Of course I could say I am still thinking, we can sort of ease off.

Now some of you in Foggy Bottom that have had a similar problem, I need your help, how should I decide? Although I have made up my mind. Or practically.



## From By-Gone Days

### Future Buildings For the Bottom

The large and handsome building of the People's Life Insurance Company is one of three great building projects planned for Foggy Bottom — the only one of the three which is currently taking shape. The structure has progressed to the point where the marble exterior is being put in place, and it promises to be quite impressive.

Two other proposed buildings for Foggy Bottom — the National Cultural Center of the Performing Arts, and the headquarters and education center of the American Association of University Women — are far from being actualities, although each has ground so that the sites are assured.

The Cultural Center has to await funds to build and Congress has allowed five years for this, the collection to be in the hands of a commission to be appointed by the President. The composition of this commission is of the greatest importance since its members should be enthusiastic and willing to work for the accomplishment of the Center. Half of the commission is to be made up of federal officials, whose time must of necessity be filled with official duties; the other half will come from non-governmental walks of life. Should the appointments be made only on the basis of politics, the Cultural Center is further away than we think.

The original plans for the Center, drawn up under a commission headed by Agnes Meyer, cannot be used on the site which the Congress has designated. New plans will have to be drawn for a smaller structure and it will have to wait for final decisions on the inner loop freeway and the approaches to the new, so-called Constitution Avenue, bridge.

The AAUW building as well along the planning stage, but it, too, must await decisions — in this case decisions by the Zoning Commission. The general idea is for an 8-story structure, the first and second floors and three top floors to be used by the Association for administrative offices and professional staff, its fellowship program, and a library. The Zoning Commission will rule on what tenants may occupy that portion of the building not needed by the Association.

It is planned, the Zoning Commission willing, to have a dining-room on the first floor, to be used only on special occasions by the Association and its members. There will also be a snack bar for the staff and for members of the Association and their guests. Unfortunately for residents of Foggy Bottom, the snack bar will not be open to the public.

AAUW's move to Foggy Bottom will bring to the area an organization with over 75 years of practical work in education, from the support of higher standards to a more effective and intelligent participation of college-educated women in the processes of democracy.


AAUW has over 155,500 members, with 1398 local branches in 49 state divisions, the District of Columbia, Hawaii and Guam. Founded in 1882, the Association is a member of the International Federation of University Women and is affiliated with 47 other national organizations of university women for the purpose of working for international understanding and peace.

Each year 40 fellowships for women are awarded by the AAUW and 35 women are brought to the United States from more than 20 foreign countries for professional study. The Association has an endowment fund of more than \$1,812,000 for fellowships for gifted women, and in 1956-57 raised \$263,297 for this program and for international grants.

The ground-breaking ceremony for the AAUW building was held on June 18, 1958, at 24th and G Streets and Virginia Avenue. Giving up the present headquarters at 1634 I Street will be difficult as it has served since 1922 when the organization had a membership of about 16,000. The I Street building is more than 67 years old and at one time was the home of Benjamin F. Tracy, Secretary of the Navy in the Benjamin Harrison administration.

The AAUW building is well planned and will add much to Foggy Bottom when it becomes a reality.

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# BIZBUZZ . . .

By Betty Olsen

Two **RUBINS** are restaurant managers in Foggy Bottom. **AARON** is night manager of Fiores Cafe in The Inn at Foggy Bottom and his wife **DEBORAH** is daytime restaurant manager at The West End Cafe at One Washington Circle. I just wonder — who does the cooking and dishwashing at home?

**MILTON CARROW**, director of The Washington Circle, "An Intellectual Forum," headed the discussion at GWU on "The Supreme Court and the Constitution — What Should the Court Do in Cases the Founding Fathers Never Dreamed Of?" The Circle met in the Marvin Center and was addressed by — **MR. JUSTICE ANTONIN SCALIA** — who spoke informally about what else? The Constitution. Following his remarks, he answered questions — most interesting — I mean like — **MOST INTERESTING**. I never thought I would enjoy a discussion about the Constitution so much — Scalia even had humorous comments he added to make the document really breathe for humanity. Scalia was appointed a justice by President Ronald Reagan in 1986. I was really impressed.

**CHRIS KAIN**, managing editor of The Current newspapers, has been attending our ANC meetings, and writing all about them. So it seems natural, Chris, that I write about YOU in the *Foggy Bottom News*.

Heard **CAM MAGEE** had quite a one-woman show at one of our local art spots — The Arts Club of Washington at 2107 Eye Street, N.W. The show, "Home to Tara," was written by Washington playwright Laura Quinn. Quinn developed the play of Margaret Mitchell, authoress of "Gone With The Wind," for the Source Theatre at the Washington Theater

Festival with Magee creating the role. Magee said, "Peggy had a real ear for human beings. She led a colorful life, torn between being a Southern Belle and a hell-raiser. She was Scarlett O'Hara."

**KIRSTEN OLSEN** (GWU '84) was moderator of a "Careers in Broadcasting" panel at GWU with **MIKE BROWN** of Jones Intercable in Calvert County, **JOHN STEMPIN** of National Public Radio, **ALEXANDER KIPPIN**, (GWU '83) of Fox Morning News and **TOM KIEREIN**, meteorologist on Channel 4. **JULIE MANGIS**, coordinator of the Career and Cooperative Education Center at GWU's Columbian College of Arts and Sciences, was everywhere, seeing all performed perfectly. Everything went well down to the biggest and best chocolate chip and peanut butter cookies I've ever had. Good Show!

Heard that **MARILYN RUBIN** who is head of Encore Travel is planning a New York trip May 8 and 9 to attend "Miss Saigon" (really the Madame Butterfly story during Vietnamese times) and "Secret Garden," an adult story as well as a children's tale, the latter the 1991 Tony Award winner. She has a tour to the Big Apple via train so you can be picked up right here in Foggy Bottom by bus to Union Station. The hotel accommodations are right off Broadway within walking distance to both theatres. Call Rubin at 202/223-1259 for further details. Perfect time of the year — spring — to be anywhere, especially New York. Wonder why no one has written a song about that like "April in Paris"; both cities have certain charms during this season.

**DAVID McMILLIAN** who works on The Hill by day also works at Casey's as bartender at

night . . . talk about moonlighting.

**KAZIMIR JAMES McMAHON**, going on 1-1/2 now, regularly visits in the shop of his mother **DALE JOHNSON**, Watergate Gallery & Frame Shop. When he's not there everyone is picking up Cheerios and raisins and getting ready for his return. He sleeps in his play pen brimming with stuffed animals and toys. His horoscope done by a friend recently denotes — similarities to Picasso. How nice to have a mother in the art business; it might come in handy. The McMahons have moved into their newly purchased home near Sibley Hospital.

**KEVIN ROST** of the World Bank takes a hand in the spaghetti suppers and computer systems of the bilingual English and German United Church and even assists in raising funds for an elevator to make all three floors of the church accessible. He and **ELAINE LOZIER** even work together to draw up the ads which run in the *Foggy Bottom News*.

Longtime Foggy Bottom resident **JACK OLENDER**, Washington malpractice and personal injury lawyer and philanthropist, was named "Lawyer of the Year," by the Bar Association of D.C. Recently called "Jack the Ripper" by *Washingtonian* magazine for his prowess in the courtroom, Olender had previously been named "Trial Lawyer of the Year" by the Association of Plaintiffs Trial Lawyers. A



Watergate resident for over a dozen years, Olender and his wife Lovell have lived in Foggy Bottom for 25 years. (And as for "awards," we guess that Olender is NOT in favor of the Tort Reform bill pending before the City Council!).

**JUDY ANNIS** is executive aide at the Theatre and Dance Department at GWU, and also is the one who you will probably meet at the box office. Judy says that **SYLVIA'S REAL GOOD ADVICE** is a delightful musical revue based on Nicole Hollander's syndicated cartoon, "Sylvia," a light, satirical view of modern urban living. The show will be presented by Horizons Theatre in association with the GWU Department of Theatre & Dance at the Marvin Center Theatre June 17 - July 12. Call Annis for tickets or better yet, stop by. One day I did and she had a *Foggy Bottom*

News at her fingertips. Atta' girl, Judy, read on.

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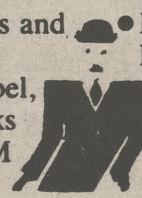
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## Foggy Bottom/ West End Crime Report

C.A. Mitchell

Reported crimes in Foggy Bottom and the West End were down again in February. This drop can be attributed to the deployment of more police officers in the area as well as alert citizens notifying the Police Department of suspicious activity.

The improvement in February's crime report was marred, however, by two robberies at the Swarthmore, an apartment house at 1010 25th Street. These robberies were committed on February 24 and on February 29 by persons gaining entry to the building by unknown means. Area residents should not admit anyone to their apartment building without proper identification and should make sure that all doors are locked after leaving, entering, or admitting anyone. According to Officer Martin Bordell of the Metropolitan Police Department's Community Services Office, residents should exercise caution in the public areas of apartment houses, such as lobbies, elevators, and parking garages. In addition, residents should remember to lock the doors to their apartments once inside.

The criminal activity reported in the Foggy Bottom/West End residential areas for February includes:

### Assault with a Deadly Weapon

2/4 2315 Virginia Ave 0:50a  
2/17 2100 M St 1:10a  
2/28 21st & E St 3:20p

### Robberies in Residences

2/24 1010 25th St 7:37p elevator

2/29 1010 25th St 5:35p lobby,  
gun

### Robberies in Public Spaces

2/12 900 26th St 6:00p  
2/13 2100 N St 10:40a  
2/29 900 23rd St 0:45a

### Simple Assault

2/3 2510 Virginia Ave 11:27p  
2/14 1200 24th St 5:00p  
2/21 New Hamp Ave & M St  
1:45p  
2/22 1100 21st St 2:40a

### Burglaries/Thefts in Homes

2/8 2400 Virginia Ave  
2/29 2400 Virginia Ave

### Stolen Auto

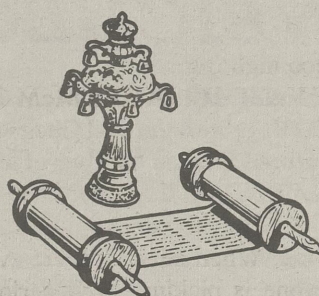
2/1 2300 N St  
2/26 1101 23rd St

### Larceny from Auto

2/5 2101 L St  
2/6 2500 K St  
2/11 2004 G St  
2/11 1000 22nd St  
2/12 1922 F St  
2/13 25th & K St  
2/13 1000 26th St  
2/14 945 25th St  
2/15 2146 F St  
2/17 2300 N St  
2/18 2117 E St  
2/19 2150 L St  
2/19 2200 Penn Ave  
2/21 2400 N St  
2/21 22nd & N St  
2/24 2150 L St  
2/25 1100 25th St  
2/26 900 New Hamp. Ave  
2/27 1000 22nd St  
2/28 2400 N St6

### Destruction of Property

2/12 2430 K St church  
2/14 950 25th St apartment



### ANC-2A MEETING

Thursday, April 9

Academic Center

Room 204

801 22nd Street, N.W.

7:30 p.m.

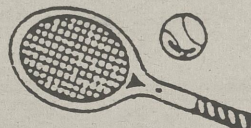
### Book Sale April 11 At West End Library

There will be a book sale on Saturday, April 11, from 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. upstairs at the West End Library at 24th and L Streets, N.W. Sponsored by the West End Library Friends, the sale will include more than 2,000 books as well as some records. All proceeds from the sale will go to support the Library.

Book or record donations for the sale will be accepted through Wednesday, April 8. Bring them to the Library and leave them in the boxes under the table immediately upon your left when entering the library.

### Free Income Tax Assistance at West End Library

The AARP is providing free tax assistance for older persons at the West End Library on Tuesdays and Wednesday (through April 15) from 1:30-4:30, on the second floor. Bring your last tax return and current tax materials.



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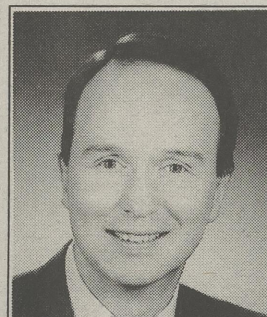
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## Association Update

By Chris Lamb

Congratulations to **Henrietta Zoltrow** on her election as Vice President of the FBA. Henrietta was responsible for getting Eleanor Holmes Norton to speak at our February meeting and John Wilson for the March meeting.

The **Western Presbyterian/IMF project** is still being vigorously opposed by the Foggy Bottom Association. There are three coming hearings: the National Capital Planning Commission will review the "federal" interest in the proposed project (April 2); and John Ray will hold a hearing on procedural issues regarding the Historic Preservation Review Board decision on the Western Presbyterian Church and 2501 Pennsylvania (April 14). The FBA has requested that the alley closing hearing be held in Foggy Bottom and in the evening. A favorable decision at any of these hearings could delay or stop the proposed project. The FBA has paid \$1,000 towards historic preservation expenses and received an additional \$2,000 in contributions from the community. We still need to raise more funds to pay for all legal and professional expenses, estimated to be over \$5,000. Tax deductible contributions can be made to the FBA and mailed to FBA, c/o West End Library, 24th & L Streets, N.W.

FBA Board representative Barbara Kahlow testified before the DC **Regulatory Affairs budget hearing** on various procedural problems encountered by the FBA before the Building and Land Regulation Administration. Issues raised included: failure to follow regulatory requirements, lack of fairness and due process, preferential treatment for developers, etc. As a result of testimony by both the FBA and ANC (Sara Maddux), John Ray will review the Western Presbyterian historic designation hearing and issuance of a demolition permit for the Church has been delayed.

The FBA Executive Board voted to oppose two proposed development projects: **Associated General Contractors** at 19th and E and the revised **Blackie's** project at 23rd and M. The residential component of both projects is insufficient and the developers are not offering adequate amenities to the community in exchange for valuable zoning concessions.

The FBA Executive Board voted 5-4 to request the DC Department of Human Services to limit to 25 the number of beds in the **Homeless Shelter** at 27th & Eye. The FBA requested a Community Oversight Board and an end to busing homeless into Foggy Bottom.

**Crime** is on the rise in Foggy Bottom and many residents are extremely concerned. Crime against persons (robbery, assault, rape and murder) increased by 10% in 1991. Requests have been made to the Police Department for more foot patrols in residential Foggy Bottom/West End. The FBA and ANC plan to sponsor a public meeting on crime in Foggy Bottom this spring.

## NEIGHBORHOOD DATEBOOK

**Monday, March 30:** Foggy Bottom Association meeting, with Council Chairman John Wilson as featured speaker. St. Paul's Parish, 2430 K Street, N.W. 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, April 2:** Music at Noon concert, with members of the NSO's Youth Fellowship Program. Featured will be NSO's Glenn Garlick, David Teie and Luis Haza, performing music by De Beriot and others for strings. Western Presbyterian Church, 1906 H Street, N.W. 12:15-1:00 p.m.

**Thursday, April 2:** Reading by Patricia Brown-ing Griffith, author of "The World Around Midnight," short story writer, novelist and playwright. GWU Marvin Center, Room 403, 21st & H Streets, N.W. 8:00 p.m.

**Friday, April 3:** Lecture on Stress Management for Women, addressing the common stresses experienced by women and the effect of stress on physical and emotional health. Issues to be discussed include ways to balance personal and professional lives and effective coping mechanisms. \$5 per person; \$7.50 per couple. Advance registration required, 202-293-3239.

**Monday, April 6:** Deadline for District residents to register to vote in the May presidential primary; also to file changes of address or party affiliation. For information, call Voter Services Office at 727-2525.

**Monday, April 6:** Concert by Rudolf Innig, organist at the Marktkirche in Coesfeld, Germany.

Featured will be works by J. S. Bach, Scheidt, Mendelssohn, Hindemith and Brahms. The United Church, 20th & G Streets, N.W. 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday, April 9:** ANC-2A monthly meeting, Academic Center, 801 22nd Street, N.W., Room 204. 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday, April 11:** West End Citizens Association meeting, State Plaza hotel, 2116 F Street, N.W., 2:00-4:00 p.m.

**Saturday, April 11:** Concert by National Music Arts ensemble, featuring guest composer and musician Richard Rodney Bennett. Music by Bennett, John Ireland, Gustav Holst and Johann Christian Bach will be performed. National Academy of Sciences, 21st & C Streets, N.W. 8:00 p.m. A forum at 7:00 with Mr. Bennett will precede the concert.

**Thursday, April 16:** Music at Noon concert, with faculty artists from the Levine School of Music performing Felix Mendelssohn's *Octet*. Featured artists will be Hae Soon Ha'n, Mary Findley, Holly Smardo, Melissa Graybeal, Nina Falk, Sarah Wetherbee, Lori Barnet and Sue Kelly. Western Presbyterian Church, 1906 H Street, N.W., 12:15-1:00 p.m.

**Thursday, April 23:** Music at Noon concert, with pianist Robert Wyatt performing "Exclusively Gershwin," including rarely-heard piano pieces and the solo version of Rhapsody in Blue. Western Presbyterian Church, 1906 H Street, N.W. 12:15-1:00 p.m.

## National Grant for Senior Services in FB Area

IONA Senior Services has received a \$20,000 grant from the Administration on Aging's National Eldercare Campaign to improve the in-home and community services available to allow older people to maintain their independence in the community.

Nationally, the goal of the campaign is to get the communities involved in eldercare. Locally, the goal of IONA Senior Services is to stimulate and organize neighborhoods to provide opportunities and services for older people within urban apartment buildings. There are many large apartment buildings in our service area, especially in the Foggy Bottom

and Connecticut Avenue areas.

This project will attempt to build a coalition of people who are not traditionally involved with seniors. This approach is taken in order to establish new relationships and generate a greater understanding of the issues and needs of the elderly. IONA intends to implement at least one new service in several apartment buildings in our service area through this project. We will be approaching business, religious, cultural, educational, health, and other institutions in order to reach this goal.

So far, IONA has started one service in Potomac Plaza Ter-

aces. Students of George Washington University who live in Riverside Towers have volunteered their time to work with the residents who are over 60 in a Shopping Partners program. The students will go to the food store for or with the resident, and help put groceries away if requested.

Presently, IONA is looking for local businesses, community organizations, and other institutions who would like to help out with this project. There will be a meeting of the coalition members to date in the end of March. For more information, please contact the project coordinator, Eileen Dombo at 966-1055.

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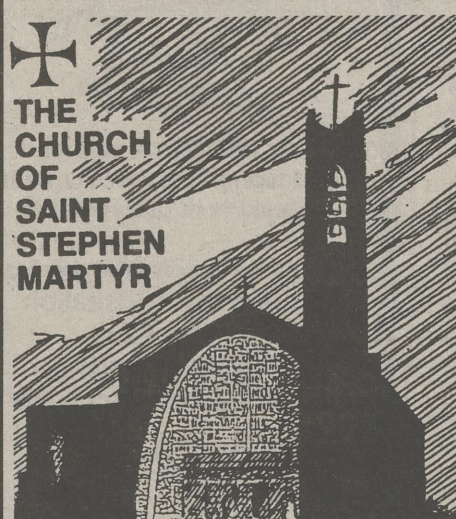
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